Public Notice – Environmental Project

PURPOSE OF NOTICE:

The Department of Environmental Quality seeks public comment on the state's response to the environmental aspects of a proposed fishery management requirement applicable to fisheries in the Atlantic Ocean offshore of Virginia.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD:

January 24, 2007 to February 13, 2007

TYPE OF RESPONSE:

Federal Consistency Determination

DEQ is reviewing a federal activity to determine whether it is consistent with the federally approved Virginia Coastal Resources Management Program. The program seeks to protect the quality of air, water, and other natural resources in Virginia's coastal area.

NAME OF AGENCY PROPOSING THE PROJECT:

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration: National Marine Fisheries Service

PROJECT DESCRIPTION:

The National Marine Fisheries Service proposes an emergency rule to increase the 2007 summer flounder Total Allowable Landings. This is a result of extending the rebuilding time frame for the species from 2010 to January 1, 2013.

HOW TO COMMENT:

DEQ accepts comments from the public by e-mail, fax, or postal mail. All comments must include the name, address, and telephone number of the person commenting and be received by DEQ within the comment period. The public may review the project documents at DEQ's central office in Richmond.

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